

House Study Bill 660 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON SCHULTZ)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to county financing of certain projects by
2 modifying provisions relating to authorization procedures
3 for certain county projects.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 331.441, subsection 2, paragraph b,
2 subparagraph (5), unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2014, is amended
3 to read as follows:

4 Public buildings, including the site or grounds of, and the
5 erection, equipment, remodeling, or reconstruction of, and
6 additions or extensions to the buildings, and including the
7 provision and maintenance of juvenile detention or shelter care
8 facilities, when the ~~cost~~ principal amount of the bonds does
9 not exceed the following limits:

10 Sec. 2. Section 331.441, subsection 2, paragraph c,
11 subparagraph (9), Code 2014, is amended to read as follows:

12 (9) Public buildings, including the site or grounds of,
13 the erection, equipment, remodeling, or reconstruction of, and
14 additions or extensions to the buildings, and including the
15 provision and maintenance of juvenile detention or shelter care
16 facilities, when the ~~cost~~ principal amount of the bonds exceeds
17 the limits stated in subsection 2, paragraph "b", subparagraph
18 (5).

19 EXPLANATION

20 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
21 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

22 This bill relates to county finance by modifying the
23 definition of "essential county purpose" to specify that public
24 building projects meet the definition of "essential county
25 purpose" if the principal amount of the bonds does not exceed
26 certain threshold amounts based upon the population of the
27 county. Current law specifies that a public building project
28 meets the definition of an "essential county purpose" if the
29 costs of the project do not exceed certain threshold amounts
30 based upon the population of the county.

31 The bill also modifies the definition of "general county
32 purpose" to specify that public building projects meet the
33 definition of "general county purpose" if the principal amount
34 of the bonds exceeds certain threshold amounts based upon
35 the population of the county. Current law specifies that a

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1 public building project meets the definition of "general county
2 purpose" if the costs of the project exceed certain threshold
3 amounts based upon the population of the county.

4 Generally, an essential county purpose bond issuance does
5 not require approval of the voters and a general county purpose
6 bond issuance requires approval of the voters.